

**REMARKS**

Claims 1 and 21-51 were pending in this application.

Claim 1 was rejected under 35 USC 102 (b) as being anticipated by Herbert (EP 0 697 261 A2).

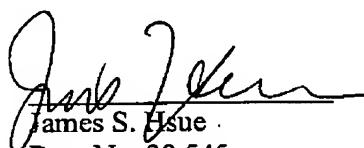
Claims 21-51 have been allowed, which is noted with appreciation.

Claim 1 has been cancelled, leaving only the allowed claims 21-51, which have not been amended.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the amendments and remarks contained herein, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance and an indication of their allowance is requested. However, if the Examiner is aware of any additional matters that should be discussed, a call to the undersigned attorney at: (415) 318-1162 would be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

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